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### WOMEN'S GOLF

#### No. 15 Pirates Earn Second Straight NCAA Women's Golf Bid





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**SAVANNAH, Ga.** - The No. 15-ranked Armstrong Atlantic State University women's golf team has earned a second straight bid into the NCAA Division II National Championships, released today.

The Pirates will be one of nine teams competing in the NCAA South Regional, hosted by Saint Leo University on May 4-6 at Lake Jovita Golf and Country Club in Saint Leo, Fla. The loaded region field features top-ranked and defending national champion Lynn, No. 2-ranked Barry, No. 3-ranked Florida Tech, No. 4-ranked Rollins, No. 7-ranked Nova Southeastern and No. 12-ranked Saint Leo, all from the Sunshine State Conference.

Armstrong is joined in the field by fellow Peach Belt Conference school and No. 8-ranked Flagler, with No. 9-ranked West Florida out of the Gulf South Conference rounding out the field.

The four individuals selected to the South Regional are: Emily Rymer, Florida Southern; Ashlii Thompson, UNC Pembroke; Elizabeth Swallow, King (Tenn.) and Elaine Wood, Montevallo.

Play begins on Sunday, May 4, with one round of 18 holes and continues with a single round on Monday, May 5, and concludes with a single round on Tuesday, May 6. The top three teams and top four individuals not on advancing teams will earn spots into the 2014 NCAA Division II Women's Golf National Championships on May 14-17 in Conover, N.C., at the Rock Barn Golf and Spa.

Two years ago, **Jenna Birch** advanced to the 2012 NCAA Division II Women's Golf Championships as an individual and finished tied for 21st. Last year, **Kristen Sammarco** won a playoff at the South Regional earn a berth in the 2013 NCAA Division II Women's Golf Championships and finished tied for ninth. Both players are back for their senior seasons, earning All-PBC honors this year, along with senior **Kiley Mettler**. Sophomores **Brendie Rockholt** and **Pamela Mosley** round out the Pirates' lineup for the regional.

Armstrong is in its ninth season of competition, beginning play in 2005-06. The Pirates' current No. 15 national ranking is the highest achieved by the program in its brief history.





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